



Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

Paraguay R-PP Review

United States (Lead)

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General Comments

- Significant work was done to address the initial comments made by the TAP and the R-PP and it is generally very complete and well prepared.
- Additional information on how continued readiness preparation will build on work carried out under UN-REDD.
- Paraguay has demonstrated that it has undertaken significant efforts to carry out broad consultation on REDD+ and have provided a comprehensive plan for consultation moving forward.
- The PC did identify some concerns regarding the need to further address land tenure issues that are likely to impact indigenous peoples which we recommend providing further information on.

Standard	PC Review March 2013
1a. National Readiness Management Arrangements	Met
1b. Information Sharing and Early Dialogue with Key Stakeholder Groups	Met
1c. Consultation and Participation Process	Met
2a. Assessment of Land Use, Forest Law, Policy, and Governance	Met
2b. REDD-plus strategy Options	Met
2c. REDD-plus implementation framework	Met
2d. Social and Environmental Impacts	Largely Met
3. Reference Level	Met
4a. National Forest Monitoring System	Met
4b. Information System for Multiple Benefits, Other Impacts, Safeguards	Met
5. Schedule and Budget	Met
6. Program Monitoring & Evaluation Framework	Met

Additional Comments & Recommendations

- **Standard 1a: National Readiness Management Arrangements:**
 - Proposed institutional arrangements for REDD+ are clearly described, and inclusive, but greater clarity on the role of the ministry of agriculture (MAG) would be helpful.
- **Standard 1c: Consultation and Participation Process**
 - There has been significant effort made to develop an inclusive consultation process and the R-PP lays out a well-developed consultation plan. Uncertainty still exists in the design of a plan for resolving identified conflicts, particularly how this plan might interact with national laws.
- **Standard 2a: Assessment of Land Use, Land Use Change Drivers, Forest Law, Policy, and Governance:**
 - Additional consideration of impact of land tenure issues on deforestation will be important moving forward.
- **Standard 2.c: REDD-plus implementation framework:**
 - Information on plans for addressing agricultural drivers of deforestation is fairly limited as are plans for further integration of the agriculture sector into the institutional arrangements.

Additional Comments & Recommendations

- **2d. Social and Environmental Impacts (Largely Met)**
- Further information should be provided to improve clarity on how Paraguay is currently working to resolve conflicts around areas of indigenous lands that are being sold or leased to private agricultural companies.
- Additional information would also be helpful to clarify the legal framework in relation to indigenous communities' traditional use of forest products.
- Additional information on how Paraguay intends to take into consideration the protocol for FPIC elaborated by FAPI should also be provided.



THANK YOU!

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